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AS TO STEAMERS.

Whether there is any immediate prospect of steamers between San Pedro and Honolulu we do not know; but eventually Los Angeles and its Salt Lake railway connection are bound to develop a sea trade. That is in the nature of things commercial. The Los Angeles railroad must be fed from both terminals and Los Angeles herself, if she is to get full value from her artificial port of San Pedro, must attract some of the business which is developing over the rim of the horizon.

What we look for in the long run is not a local ferry such as was suggested in the early dispatches yesterday, but a through Oriental line with Honolulu as a stopping place. Los Angeles is well-situated for the export point of Louisiana cotton, of which Asia takes a great deal; and her new Eastern route is as direct as any for the transportation of silks to the other seaboard. Undoubtedly Los Angeles would find plenty of business here in view of the steady growth of our specialized agriculture and of the vast sum of our mainland importations.

As to steamers in general the number stopping here shows steady progress. As the Pacific comes to its own, under Seward's famous prophecy, Honolulu will also receive its heritage of smoky argosies.

WHERE HAWAII COULD HELP.

A Washington dispatch of Dec. 30 informs the country, and incidentally the world, that "American troops will be found fully prepared in case of an emergency if called on to protect the lives and property of Americans in China from the ravages of a native uprising there." Says this interesting news data in further narration: "Methods have been improved in respect to transportation and mobilization efficiency of arms and ordnance, provisioning and sanitation. While results accomplished by the Japanese as compared to the American campaign in Cuba were regarded as generally to the advantage of Japanese, it is predicted there will be surprising improvements shown in American methods of warfare the next time the opportunity offers."

"Machine guns, which played so important part in the Japanese attacks, have been provided for the American force. Model of gun, kind of ammunition and plans for operation have been carefully worked out after several years of exhaustive tests and field experiments."

"The machine gun that may be used in China was formally adopted in the fall of 1903, several months before the Japanese conflict opened. The War Department has now available 120 of these guns, with complete outfits for field service. Plans for manning and working these guns are receiving minute attention by the general staff. Should it be necessary to send troops to China, as the War Department fears it will be, these machine weapons will form the most important part of the equipment."

"New field artillery that has just been supplied to the army, and with which the militia will shortly be equipped, is said by army officers to be equal to the best. The same is true of the new army rifle. Other equipment has been greatly improved; commissary improvements are being studied with care and the medical corps hope for legislation this winter that will enable it to work with much better methods than have been obtained in the American army in the past. When the chance comes again the general staff hopes to be able to demonstrate that it has greatly raised the standard of American military service."

It is not stated where the American troops are to be sent from in case their services are needed in China; and as not many troops can be spared from the Philippines, the majority must come from the various mainland garrisons. That means very long-range transportation. How much better it would be, economically and strategically, to form a big camp here on Oahu and keep a brigade ready to be shipped wherever it may be needed—in China, the Philippines, Samoa or Panama? We have urged an acclimation camp for some years—a place where troops from the north could be inured to a tropical climate where most of the American possessions lie. The possible need of troops in the south of China adds to the force of the plea.

BLOCKING THE WESTERN PACIFIC.

The San Francisco Chronicle prints a story of an attempt by the Southern Pacific to block the way of Gould's Western Pacific to an outlet on the bay shore of San Francisco which reads very like a chapter from the history of the doings of the old time Southern Pacific magnates. It is not possible that the attempt can be successful, although the Harriman combination is stronger, financially, than the old crowd ever was, but the fact that it has been made demonstrates more things than that Mr. Harriman and his associates are lacking in originality of method. The Western Pacific has a terminal on the bay shore at Oakland, and will not be stopped from running ferry boats to San Francisco by any fence the Southern Pacific may seek to build between the site of the terminal and deep water.

The building of the Western Pacific is the first material manifestation of the very general desire felt by the men in the direction of western railways to reach Pacific coast terminal points and share at first hand in the wonderful commerce that is already beginning to grow upon the bosom of the Pacific. The Western Pacific, reaching from Salt Lake to San Francisco, as projected, by the most direct route, will give the Goulds the first line from ocean to ocean under one ownership. But its building means much more than that. It means the end, at last, of the domination of the Southern Pacific in California. The Western Pacific will be a competing line that competes. The Santa Fe has never been that, properly speaking, and although Senator Clark's Salt Lake road from Los Angeles was heralded widely as an entirely independent railway, as a matter of fact it is operated in complete harmony with, if not as an integral part of, the Harriman system. The Western Pacific is a different thing. More schemes than the building of a pile fence across a section of mud in the Oakland estuary have been tried to block the Gould plans. Mr. Harriman, it is said, even sought to discredit the Gould securities in the New York money market, to the end that cash might be wanting to build the road.

The plots came to nothing, and the Western Pacific is actually under construction. And the building of this line will be but a beginning. The entire state of California is feeling the touch of that awakening that is to mark the time when the Pacific will really carry the bulk of the commerce of the world. San Francisco is growing, and growing wonderfully. Business is good there, despite certain local conditions, political and other, which would not in the usual order make for prosperity. Large buildings are going up in the city, the residence portion is spreading along both sides of Golden Gate Park to the ocean, and real estate values are advancing by leaps and bounds. The most conservative estimates place the population of the city at half a million.

The same conditions, as to growth, exist at Los Angeles, and in lesser degree all over the state. California is prosperous, despite the fact that the rainfall for the season has so far been scant, and it is estimated that the railways will carry 150,000 strangers into Los Angeles this winter. Many of these people seek health in Southern California, but the newcomers are not all invalids, nor are they drawn westward altogether by the lure of climate. The American popular mind is turning westward, by irresistible impulse, to the larger field for human activity in the lands bordering the Pacific. Mr. Gould, with the railway that he builds in despite of the powerful adverse influence of Harriman and all his backers, but gives a demonstration of the foresight that leads some men to rise with and profit by the rising of great human tides. Mr. Gould has got on the top of the wave.

Rear Admiral Evans, it is said, will have the position of Vice Admiral revived for him. Stephen C. Rowan was the last officer to hold that rank in the American Navy and he died many years ago. Usually the Vice Admiralty has been regarded as a prize for eminent services in war. It has not fallen to Rear Admiral Evans to gain exceptional fame in battle, but the impression he has given of great ability and courage justifies his choice for a position which is now required by the growth and foreign assignments of the navy.

The New York Legislature made an abortive effort to get Senator Depew to resign, but corporate influence was too much for it. Both New York Senators were smirched by the insurance scandal and both ought to get out of office, but neither will. They expect the storm to blow over as many another has done. Nobody believes, however, that either Depew or Platt will be re-elected. The next Senators from New York promise to be of the Roosevelt school.

More money has now been recommended for expenditure here by the United States government than the proposed refund would amount to for a year. If the recommendations carry we shall be well ahead of the game.

THE "DUEL OF SEX"

How One Phase of It Serves as an
Effectual Barrier to Matrimony.

"I was brought up to regard with repugnance all efforts to attract or to please mankind. My native indifference was fostered. Girls who 'ran after the boys' were declared when mother and my aunts met in sewing-room convalescence, to be the most disgusting objects. Young women who permitted 'familiarities'—such dire licenses, I suppose, as a romping dance, a careless use of first names, a free circulation of photographs—how they were condemned, held up to scorn in our sitting room! Not for my mother's daughter, not for aunts' nieces were such ways!"

"Mother would have thought it vulgar and indelicate to the last degree to train us to look toward matrimony as a goal. She would have died of shame at the thought of teaching us the artifices of attraction. She disdained to suggest to us in any way that it was desirable to please. I think she heartily despised those mothers who invited young men to their houses or made things attractive for young men in their houses. In her heart, I suppose the dear lady was convinced that the intrinsic worth of her daughters, their compelling, natural charms, would be a resistless magnet, and that, in due course of time, there would come 'three dukes a-riding' to bear us off to a whirl of glory. Poor mother!"

"What nature began and mother continued, novels, I think, completed for me. In all my early favorites the heroine was as unapproachable as a star; her love was reward, graciously bestowed upon the doer of great deeds—not an equal force flowing out to meet the love of a mere man. Or she was capricious, wilful, charmingly difficult. Her withdrawals lured on her wooers; her pettinesses, her piques and poutings were so many entrancements, her very refusal inflamed. But in our town and our circle the men, when one refused them, went off and married the girl around the corner; when one adopted the distant attitude of the tournament queen they stayed away. And when one flouted and jeered them one was held to have bad manners and a sharp tongue.—Everybody's Magazine."

NEW HOTEL FOR SAN DIEGO.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 5.—Work was begun today on the excavation for the new three-quarters million dollar U. S. Grant hotel in this city. The structure will occupy half a city block on D street, between Third and Fourth, and will be nine stories in height. The excavation is to be completed by April 1.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the annual meeting of the Kwong Yee Society held in Honolulu on December 30, 1905, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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22 inch, Napkins to match	3.00 doz.	2.50 doz.
72 inch, Pure Linen	1.25 yd.	1.00 yd.
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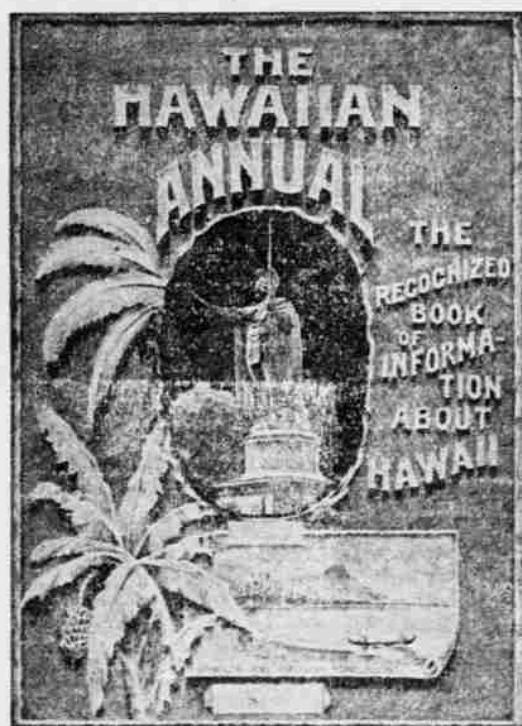
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